## Your guide to this coming week

#### Monday 14th April

9am FISH (Breakfast) – Church Centre 10am Lent Course Session 8 – Small Hall 11.30am Midday Prayer – Small Hall

11.30am Midday Prayer – Small Hal **(Gospel Reading: John 12: 1-11)** 

11am – 4pm Community Friendship Café – Centre
 1pm Wedding of Cecelia & Callum – In Church
 6pm Bell Ringing Practice – In Church

7pm Compline – Church Centre

## Tuesday 15th April

No Busy Fingers

7pm Compline – Church Centre

#### Wednesday 16th April

12pm Midday Prayer – Church Centre (Gospel Reading: John 13: 21-32)

7pm Lent Course & Compline – (repeat of Monday Session)

#### Thursday 17th April – Maundy Thursday

7pm Maundy Thursday Service with washing of feet or

hands, followed by Compline - In Church

#### Friday 18th April – Good Friday

12-3pm Good Friday Devotional Service (starting in Centre and

moving into the church approx. 1:15pm)

**NO Choir Practice** 

#### Sunday 20th April - Easter Sunday

5.30am Sunrise Service with Canon Simon - Ness Point

10am Sung Eucharist

6pm Easter Praise Service with Holy Communion

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## Prayers for Your Parish - Street by Street

This week, please pray for the residents of:

Dove Street - Map no. 143 / Map Ref. I 13 Drake's Heath - Map no. 154 / Map Ref. K 8 Ennerdale Close - Map no. 22 / Map Ref. C 7

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#### **SAFEGUARDING:**

St. Margaret's Church is committed to safeguarding all worshippers, staff and visitors. If you have any concerns, please refer to the notices at each entrance door, which gives details of how to voice your concern, or visit www.stmargaretslowestoft.co.uk

Please note, the 10am service is livestreamed.

The seats in the side aisles are never in view

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**Toilet & Baby Changing available in the Centre** 

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#### **WELCOME TO**

## ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

LOWESTOFT

If you would like to make an offering to

St. Margaret's please place your gift either on the collection plate *before* the service or use the cardreader at the back of church.

Your gift supports our ongoing mission work & helps towards the upkeep of this beautiful church.

Thank you for your kind gift.

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Palm Sunday

10am Sung Eucharist

With procession around the Churchyard

Mass Setting: Mass of St. Thomas

Presiding: Canon Simon Deacon: Rev Pauline

Gospel: Dramatised reading of

The Passion narrative to view this week's 10am service booklet

Scan QR Code to view this week's

Intercessor: Rev Jim

Hymns: 160, 161, 159, 700, 147, 489 & 707

Anthem: Hosanna to the Son of David

(Telemann)

Refreshments will be served in the Church Centre.

6pm Sung Evensong

Leading: Canon Simon

Preaching: Loretta Reader: Ruth

Readings Isaiah 50: 4-9 & Luke 19: 28-40

Hymns: 142, 164 & 161

Psalm: 61

Anthem: Holy, holy, holy (Schubert)

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## Sunday 20th April 2025 - Easter Day

5.30am Sunrise Service with Canon Simon

(At Ness Point)

Sung Eucharist in ChurchEaster Praise Service withHoly Communion in Church

This week's pew sheet is kindly sponsored by Linda Friston

In loving memory of Maureen on the anniversary of her passing



# Readings for Sunday 13th April

Old Testament: Isaiah 50: 4-9

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

#### Luke 19: 28-40

After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'"

They went on their way and found everything just as Jesus had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying it?" "The master needs it," they answered, and they took the colt to Jesus. Then they threw their cloaks over the animal and helped Jesus get on. As he rode on, people spread their cloaks on the road. When he came near Jerusalem, at the place where the road went down the Mount of Olives, the large crowd of his disciples began to thank God and praise him in loud voices for all the great things that they had seen: "God bless the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory to God!"

Then some of the Pharisees in the crowd spoke to Jesus. "Teacher," they said, "command you disciples to be quiet!"

Jesus answered, "I tell you that if they keep quiet, the stones themselves will start shouting."

## Collect (Prayer of the Week)

True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love you,
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself
in taking the form of a servant,
and in obedience died on the cross
for our salvation:
give us the mind to follow you
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father.

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# Lent Course - 3<sup>rd</sup> March – 16<sup>th</sup> April

Session 8 – Spiritual Warfare, deliver us from evil

In this session we will look closely at the ways we can pray God's Kingdom Come in the midst of a spiritual battle.

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 10am (Centre - Small Hall) Repeated Wed 16<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm (Centre - Small Hall)

For further information visit: https://prayercourse.org/sessions/

# **Holy Week Services**

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> April, Tues 15<sup>th</sup> April & Wed 16<sup>th</sup> April 7pm Compline (Church Centre)

Maundy Thursday – 17<sup>th</sup> April 7pm Service in Church with Washing of Feet or Hands & Compline

Good Friday – 18<sup>th</sup> April (12pm - 3pm)

Devotional Service (Three 1-hour sessions)

Starting in the Centre with Hot Cross Buns
then moving across to the Church
at approximately 1.15pm

# Stewardship - Giving in Grace

Please can you return your forms by Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April. Please return them even if you plan to keep your giving the same. We'll then offer these gifts to the Lord in prayer & thanksgiving at our Thanksgiving Service on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May.